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GOVERNOR FREAR TURNS DOWN THE NEW SCHEDULE

EXECUTIVE ACTION WHICH IS APPARENTLY A VICTORY FOR THE
KAIMUKI PROTESTANTS AGAINST THE CONTINUATION OF THE
TWENTY MINUTE SERVICE—MATTER MAY NOW HAVE TO GO TO
THE COURTS AGAIN.

Governor Frear has declined to approve the schedule of the Hotel street car line, submitted by the Rapid Transit Company some time since. As he states in his letter to the company reproduced below, he declines to enter into the merits of the case, but has based his action on the several hearings which he has held on the subject with Kaimuki and Waiwae residents. To the reporters he stated that he did not care to say more on the subject than he had stated in the letter referred to.

Since the governor has withheld his approval to the schedule, it would seem that a victory had been scored by the Kaimuki people, since it will be up to the company to make a schedule which the governor will approve, or have the courts take some mandatory action in the matter; or else it will be up to the executive department to fix a schedule which will be fair to all concerned.

The Governor's letter to the Rapid Transit Company follows:

"March 4, 1908.
"Mr. L. T. Peck, President, Honolulu Rapid Transit & Land Co., Honolulu, Hawaii.

"Sir:—On the 7th ultimo you submitted for my approval, under Revised Laws, Section 843, subdivision 4, a regulation made by your company regarding the operation of its 'Hotel Street Line' extending from Ala Park along Hotel street, Beretania street and the Waiwae Road to the crest of the Waiwae ridge.

"Since then two hearings have been had, at both of which your company and the Beretania and Kaimuki people have been represented and at one of which the Liliha people have been represented.

"The Liliha people, relying upon the same statutory provision, have requested that a regulation be made requiring either the Liliha street cars to run to Ala Park or else the Hotel street cars to run to Liliha street.

"Your company and the Liliha people contend that the statutory provision referred to covers running schedules of cars, while the Beretania and Kaimuki people take the opposite view and contend that that matter is covered by Section 841, which vests no authority in the Governor.

"The Supreme Court, as I understand it, took the latter view in its decision of the 20th of January in the case of the Territory against your company. I think that I should not attempt to act under Section 843 on a

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FIRE DESTROYS A PUNCHBOWL HOME

PLAYING CHILD BELIEVED TO HAVE CAUSED THIS MORNING'S
BLAZE—FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS A HARD PULL TO GET TO THE
CONFLAGRATION BUT DOES VERY QUICK AND EFFECTIVE
WORK ON ARRIVAL.

Flames, said to have been started by a neighbor's child playing with matches, utterly destroyed the home of George Madeira on Quarry street at 8 o'clock this morning.

Madiera was at work, being employed as a jeweller with H. F. Wichman & Co., Fort street, and Mrs. Madeira was in the house of Mr. and Mrs. Joaquin A. R. Vieira, next door, Waikiki side when the cry of fire broke out.

Mrs. Madeira at once ran from her neighbor's house and was alarmed to see flames issuing from the window of her children's bedroom. The next instant she discovered her two small children playing unconcernedly in the front yard, near the fence, not yet aware that there was any danger. About the same time three children of some neighbors came running out of the front door of the cottage. Mrs.

Madiera appears to believe that one of these, a boy about five years of age, had been playing with matches in her children's bedroom. She states that this child had once before started a fire under the house, playing with matches, though no damage was accomplished at that time.

The flames, unchecked, within a few moments enveloped the structure. There was no wind and a pillar of smoke ascended perpendicularly, rooted in great licking flames which kept back the crowd better than could have a dozen mounted police.

Immediately in the rear of the burning building stands a cottage occupied by Hawaiians, and two men, as soon as the alarm was given, rushed for the Madeira house to save what they

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WHAT TO DO FOR THE FLEET

CAPTAIN LAWLESS' ADVICE TO SAN FRANCISCO

The public meeting which is to be held in the Chamber of Commerce rooms this afternoon at 3 o'clock to discuss ways and means for the entertainment of the officers and men of the fleet when they arrive this coming summer, promises to be very well attended, as a number of the most prominent business men in town remarked this morning that they would be on hand, as all are anxious to give the men a hearty welcome to our shores.

No definite plans have been made for the meeting today, matters will be talked over in an informal way, and then committees will be appointed that will see that everything is carried out.

A number of the citizens who have expressed their intentions to be present this afternoon thought that the old fishmarket on Alakea street would be the best place in town to give all receptions and entertainments that will be given by the citizens of Honolulu to the fleet.

The one thing that is causing some speculation among the people is the expected time of arrival of the fleet. Until this is known it is going to be hard to make any set plans for their entertainment.

One plan that has been suggested as the first form of welcome, is for the committee to charter a steamer to go out to meet the fleet, and when the flagship has anchored for them to go aboard and present the Admiral in command with an invitation to his officers and men, extending to them the warm welcome of the city.

In San Francisco many schemes of entertainment have been proposed, and

the committee in charge is seeking to raise a fund of \$100,000. As a fund of \$500,000 is being asked by subscription for the rat-killing campaign, much difficulty is being experienced in getting enough fleet money. The following expresses the views of a steamer captain who is very well known in Honolulu:

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 23.—Captain Thomas Lawless of the Oceanic Steamship Company was once a blue-jacket in the United States navy, and he has some advice about entertaining the men of Admiral Evans' fleet that should be useful to the entertainment committee.

Lawless earned a commission before he left the navy and his standing in the merchant marine is high, but his later promotions dimmed nothing of his regard for the service, and nobody in civil life is more competent to speak for the man behind the gun.

"Jack," said Captain Lawless, "is erratic to the last degree. When he goes ashore he wants to wander as the spirit prompts him. At 2 p. m. you may find him in Maggie's saloon on the Barbary coast and at 3:45 gazing with reverential awe at the stained glass windows of the Episcopal cathedral. If they try the personally conducted, previously planned system of entertainment on Jack they will only make him unhappy.

"All the committee needs to provide is a hall at some easily reached center which the liberty men may use as a meeting place. Give the sailor a point of departure. He'll lay his own course.

"If the committee feels that it must do something in the catering line it might provide coffee at this hall. But

nothing else. Jack is well fed aboard ship and prefers to pay his way ashore. It might be a good idea to have stationed at this hall a doctor who could make temporary repairs on the disabled.

"I would also suggest that the committee ask for a provost guard composed of a bluejacket detail from each ship each day to insure order at the hall. A bluejacket, mind you, not a marine. If the committee does these things the bluejackets will do the rest and will have a much better time than the committee, with the best of intentions, could provide.

"If the committee wants to do more, trips to Laie, Tahoe, Tamaulpa and other points of interest might be arranged for each of the men as the executive officer of each ship may designate.

"Astral entertainment is not necessary. Jack will find that in his own way. Take Jack to a pink tea and you provide his shipmates with ammunition for months of pitiless joshing.

"In making Jack welcome to San Francisco the people should bear in mind that the bluejacket is just a little different from anybody else. His life is governed by strict rules and he is only thoroughly at ease when with those who understand and appreciate the conditions. Don't feel hurt if the bluejackets are not enthusiastic mixers in civilian frocks. It is not because Jack dislikes civilians, but because he feels more at home with his shipmates.

"My advice to the committee is to leave Jack alone as much as possible and he will leave here thinking San Francisco the greatest place on earth."

MORMON SCANDAL

JUDGE DOLE BEGINS TRIAL OF
CHURCH PRESIDENT ON THE
CHARGE OF PERJURY.

The trial of Melvin M. Harmon, for subornation of perjury in connection with the case of George Kekauoha, and Kalehua, convicted of adultery during last October term of the United States District Court, generally known as the "Mormon Case," was begun this morning before Judge Dole and a jury. The case is being prosecuted by Assistant District Attorney W. T. Rawlins, while W. A. Kinney and W. S. Edings are representing the defendant. The case promises to last for the balance of the week and the jurors not engaged in it were excused until next Monday morning.

Harmon, the defendant in the case, is the president of the Mormon church in the Territory, and manager of the important sugar plantation at Laie, on the other side of the island, which is owned by the Mormons. He is accused of having instigated false testimony on the part of Poi Kekauoha, a brother of George Kekauoha, before the grand jury, in denying that his brother and the woman in the case had made an open confession of their relations before a church meeting, which he had attended, and as a result of which testimony he is now under indictment for perjury.

The case is of considerable interest, as it is claimed that it will show that the Mormon church has through its officers been trying to circumvent the laws of the United States where its members are effected.

On the opening of the case Attorney Rawlins for the prosecution stated that he believed himself disqualified from prosecuting it for the reason that he had been attorney for George Kekauoha and Poi Kekauoha, and in these cases had had some insight into the case which he otherwise might not have gotten. Kinney, for the defendant, however, stated that he did not consider this vital, and waived any objection, and Judge Dole overruled the motion to disqualify.

In case Rawlins had been disqualified the case would probably have gone

JUDGE KEPOIKAI'S REAPPOINTMENT

The Bar Association meets this afternoon to consider further the matter of an endorsement of Judge Kepoikai for a reappointment as circuit judge on Maui. At the last meeting opposition developed and there may be considerable discussion this afternoon, though it is said that the opposition to the judge is not now so pronounced as it was at the last meeting.

Kepoikai has been in Honolulu for several days, and has had a conference with the governor, at which it is generally supposed the matter of his endorsement was discussed. The grounds of the opposition to him at the last meeting, it is stated, were that he was "under obligations" to certain Maui interests and therefore not in the position to hear various possible cases. His legal qualifications to be judge were not attacked by those who opposed him.

"I am open to conviction," said one of those who objected to an endorsement. "If it is shown that Judge Kepoikai is qualified as far as his personal interests go, I shall gladly support him for another term as judge. Only I want to be satisfied as to reports that have been made concerning his possible disqualification."

It is believed that if Kepoikai gets the bar association endorsement he will have that of Governor Frear, which would mean a reappointment by Roosevelt.

over for a few days until District Attorney Breckons, who is now busy with the grand jury, was free to prosecute it.

The following is the jury trying the case: W. G. Ashley, E. K. Allen, Geo. Fern, Luther Severance, E. S. Cunha, C. C. Kennedy, W. R. Chilton, John F. Colburn, Robert E. Mist, W. P. Roth, J. W. Robertson and James Wakefield. J. M. Dowsett had been drawn on the jury but declared that he had formed an opinion on the case which would weigh heavily in his verdict, and hence he was excused for cause.

The exercise of peremptory challenge privilege was waived by both sides and the trial of the case was begun.

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GREAT DAM WORK

Superintendent Campbell of the Department of Public Works spent several hours at the Nuuanu dam this morning. He is greatly pleased with the way the work is going. Everything, he says, is going on in a most satisfactory way, and if Contractor Whitehouse keeps up as well as he has started, he will make a record for himself. Mr. Campbell is enthusiastic over the progress of the work on the dam. The preliminary work is practically finished, and about one hundred men are working under a splendid system of management.

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OVER 160 CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 1.—Over one hundred and sixty children are believed to have lost their lives miserably in a fire which this morning totally destroyed the public school house at Collingswood, a suburb of this city. One hundred and fifty-two bodies have already been recovered from the ruins, a large number of which are beyond all recognition except, perhaps, through shreds of clothing. When the fire broke out there was a rush for the doors and when it was found that the exits were blocked a wild panic ensued, during which the floor gave way and fell, carrying with it a terrified crowd of boys and girls.

INSTRUCTED FOR TAFT

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

COLUMBIUS, Ohio, March 4.—The State Central Executive Committee of the Republican party has instructed delegates to the State convention to endorse Secretary of War William H. Taft for nomination for the Presidency.

TOPEKA, Kan., March 4.—The State Republican Convention in session today has endorsed Taft for President.

GETS POST IN SIBERIA

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4.—Lester Maynard, the well-known Californian, has been appointed consul to Vladivostok.

Arrived Monday, Alligretti's chocolate creams at Benson Smith & Co. Ltd.

Best cup of coffee in the city. New England Bakery.

CALLED HIM ANARCHIST

If you had just arrived from your native land and heard of the assassination of the king, and prince; and if you joined your countrymen in mourning the tragedy and waxing indignant over it; and if you returned one day from a trip to another island and read in a paper that you were one of the anarchists who had plotted the assassinations, but had got "cold feet" and run away in order to escape an allotted part in doing the murders,

Wouldn't it JAR you? Wouldn't it make you "sore?" This, in the style of the Hearst cartoon, is the story of criminal libel proceedings begun yesterday by G. Morato, a well known Portuguese against J. F. Durao. The cause of the prosecution is an article in A Liberdade

over the signature of Durao, which accuses Morato of being one of the Portuguese plotters against the late King Carlos. The article in question is declared by the complainant to accuse him of having been an anarchist plotter in Lisbon recently. To cap the climax, he declares, it says that he was one of those who plotted the assassination and further was actually elected to do the shooting, but was afflicted with a sudden reduction in the temperature of his pedal extremities and fled to peaceful Hawaii to view the murders from afar.

Morato expresses great indignation at the charges, and declares that he will prosecute the case to the limit. The Liberdade article created a sensation among Portuguese.

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PROCTOR IS DEAD

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 4.—Senator Redfield Proctor of Vermont is dead.

Proctor was senator since 1891; was born June 1, 1831; graduated from Dartmouth College in 1851. He practiced law and became head of extensive quarry interests. He served from lieutenant to colonel in the Union Army. His speech on Cuban reconcentration in the Senate after his return from Cuba, 1898, excited wide comment.

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

LIMA, Peru, March 4.—The U. S. torpedo boat Itasca will maneuver off this port tomorrow.

EMPEROR IN ENGLAND.

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

LONDON, March 4.—The Dowager Empress of Russia has arrived here on a visit to the Royal Family.

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